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RECENT TALKS WITH HIGH PORTUGUESE ARMY OFFICIALS INDICATE THAT, WHILE THEY INTEND TO FULFILL THEIR NATO COMMITMENTO BY PROVIDING AN AIR PORTABLE BRIGADE TO CINCSOUTH, THEY DO NOT WANT TO FURNISH A BATTALION FOR THE AMF AT THIS TIME. IN VIEW OF PORTUGUESE ATTITUDE, I SUGGEST WE DROP THIS PARTICULAR POINT UNTIL SOME TIME AFTER THE
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PORTUGUESE BRIGADE IS ACTIVATED AND PHYSICALLY INVOLVED WITH NATO.

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